LEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION
Under Constitution and Statute
FIRST DAY - MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2010

9:00 a.m. Freshmen legislators meet in the Brynhild Haugland Room for presentations on the following topics:
- Legislative Council services to legislators (10 minutes)
- Division of powers and duties among the three branches of government - Responsibilities of the legislative branch (15 minutes)
- Legislative branch structure - Committees, officers, employees (10 minutes)
- Affiliated organizations
  Council of State Governments (10 minutes)
  Midwest Council of State Governments (10 minutes)
  National Conference of State Legislatures (30 minutes)
  Midwestern Higher Education Commission (20 minutes)
  Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (15 minutes)

9:00 a.m. Computer training session (e-mail, archiving e-mail, and tips and techniques) for returning legislators in the Roughrider Room. The session is 90 minutes in length and is limited to 30 legislators. Signup is at the Legislative Council reception desk.

1:00 p.m. Senate and House convene in respective chambers

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1:45 p.m. Recess

2:00 p.m. Caucuses of respective parties for discussion of organizational matters in assigned rooms:
- Senate Majority - Fort Totten Room
- Senate Minority - Fort Lincoln Room
- House Majority - Brynhild Haugland Room
- House Minority - Prairie Room

2:20 p.m. Senate and House reconvene

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   b. Committee on Committees (8)
   c. Delayed Bills (5)
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   e. Employment (5)
   f. Correction and Revision of the Journal (3)
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15. Committee and administrative announcements
   a. Each legislator must meet with photographer for taking official photograph before adjournment.
   b. Returning legislators assigned notebook computers can sign up for training courses scheduled for Tuesday. Signup lists at Legislative Council reception desk.

3:00 p.m.  Adjournment until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday
3:15 p.m.  Meeting of Rules and Employment Committees of each house in announced committee rooms
           Meeting of Senate Committee on Committees and House Committee on Committees
           Meeting of any other committee at the call of the chairman as announced prior to recess
3:15 p.m.  Computer training session (e-mail, archiving e-mail, and tips and techniques) for returning legislators in the Roughrider Room. The session is 90 minutes in length and is limited to 30 legislators. Signup is at the Legislative Council reception desk.

SECOND DAY - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2010

9:00 a.m.  Reconvene in respective chambers
         Prayer by Chaplain (Senate - Reverend _______, __________ Church, Bismarck;
         House - Reverend __________, __________ Church, Bismarck)
         Roll call and announcements
9:10 a.m.  Joint Session - House Chamber
         Report of findings and recommendations of committees by the chairman of the Legislative Management and the director of the Legislative Council
         Presentation by Representative Lawrence R. Klemin, North Dakota Commission on Uniform State Laws, regarding uniform state laws

10:15 a.m.  Recess
10:30 a.m.  Freshman legislators meet in the Brynhild Haugland Room for presentations and a question and answer session on the legislative process:
            • Explanation of legislative rules (15 minutes)
            • Explanation of daily routine of the House and Senate - Floor procedures, orders of business, "carrying" bills (15 minutes)
            • Explanation of procedure bill follows to become law - Introduction, hearings, amendment, crossover, conference committee, final passage, presentation to Governor (15 minutes)
            • Prefiling of bills (5 minutes)

10:30 a.m.  Legislator's Automated Work Station system (LAWS) demonstration - Roughrider Room. Computer demonstration of the new and improved LAWS for returning and new legislators. LAWS is for legislators to obtain legislative information during the session. No computer is needed. This session is 90 minutes in length and is limited to 75 legislators. Signup is at the Legislative Council reception desk.

11:30 a.m.  Reconvene in joint session
         Comments by Governor John Hoeven
         Chief Justice Gerald W. VandeWalle administers oath of office to Governor Jack Dalrymple

12:00 noon  Recess
Senate and House reconvene in respective chambers

**Senate Legislative Ethics Session**
1. President announces that discussion will be of joint rules on legislative ethics
2. Presentation on legislative ethics and laws and rules governing the activities and conduct of public officials - Jay E. Buringrud, Assistant Director, Legislative Council
3. Remarks on legislative ethics - Majority Leader
4. Remarks on legislative ethics - Minority Leader

**House Legislative Ethics Session**
1. Speaker announces that discussion will be of joint rules on legislative ethics
2. Presentation on legislative ethics and laws and rules governing the activities and conduct of public officials - Jim W. Smith, Director, Legislative Council
3. Remarks on legislative ethics - Majority Leader
4. Remarks on legislative ethics - Minority Leader

2:15 p.m. Adjournment until 8:30 a.m. Wednesday
Caucuses of respective parties for discussion of legislative rules amendments:
- Senate Majority - Fort Totten Room
- Senate Minority - Fort Lincoln Room
- House Majority - Brynhild Haugland Room
- House Minority - Prairie Room

Meetings of committees at call of the chairmen

2:45 p.m. Legislators not otherwise occupied meet in the Brynhild Haugland Room for presentations on the purpose and use of legislative documents:
- Bills, resolutions, amendments (committee reports), Session Laws, and North Dakota Century Code (20 minutes)
- Calendars, journals, bill status reports, fiscal notes (10 minutes)
- Budget status reports and executive budget report (10 minutes)
- Committee minutes, Legislative Council reports - Legislative Council's library collection (10 minutes)

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**THIRD DAY - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2010**

8:30 a.m. Call to order in respective chambers
Prayer by Chaplain (Senate - Reverend __________, __________ Church, Bismarck; House - Reverend __________, __________ Church, Bismarck)
Roll call
Recess

8:40 a.m. Caucuses of respective parties for discussion of committee assignments:
- Senate Majority - Fort Totten Room
- Senate Minority - Fort Lincoln Room
- House Majority - Brynhild Haugland Room
- House Minority - Prairie Room

9:10 a.m. Reconvene
Committee reports (including announcements of standing committee appointments)
Selection and administration of oath of any officer not selected on Tuesday
Adoption of permanent rules
All other unfinished business
Announcements

9:40 a.m. Recess

9:55 a.m. Reconvene in House chamber

10:00 a.m. **Joint Session - House Chamber**
Presentation by the Governor of the executive budget and revenue proposals

10:45 a.m. Adjourn
11:00 a.m. Budget Section convenes in Senate chamber
NOTE: Computer training for new legislators. New legislators can sign up to receive personal computers and the required training in the use of the computers. This includes signout of personal computers, review of policies governing computer use, and training on software programs used by legislators. Classes are two hours in length. The class for new legislators with computer experience is from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8. The class for new legislators with limited computer experience is from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8. Signup is at the Legislative Council reception desk.

NOTE: The Budget Section will meet in the Senate chamber to receive detailed information regarding the executive budget and conduct other business on Wednesday morning at 11:00 a.m. and is scheduled to adjourn by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday. All legislators named to the Appropriations Committees, the majority and minority leaders and their assistants, and the Speaker of the House serve on the Budget Section. Other legislators also may attend the Budget Section meeting.